"Pradhan Mantri Grameen Jal Samvardhan Yojna " would be unveiled shortly. The scheme is under formulation and details are being worked out.

Surplus Floodwaters to Rajasthan

4164. SHRI K. RAHAMAN KHAN :

SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA :

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Rajasthan Government has demanded 12 MAF of water from the surplus floodwaters of Ganga;

(b) if so, the action taken on the demand of supplying water to Rajasthan;

(c) what has been the result of the study conducted by Central Water Commission to assess quantum and period of surplus floodwaters of Ganga; and

(d) whether the National Water Development Agency has been directed to complete the water balance studies and come up with its recommendations regarding surplus water?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) National Water Development Agency (NWDA) has been entrusted to carry out the studies on feasibility of utilization of surplus waters of the Ganga in the Yamuna basin and to give its recommendations, whereafter the sharing of surplus waters could be considered by the Ganga Flood Control Board.

(c) NWDA is the organization which is carrying out the water balance and other related studies concerning transfer of surplus Ganga waters to the Yamuna basin. These studies have not been completed.

(d) Yes, Sir.

Modernization of Irrigation Projects

4165. SHRI SURENDRA LATH : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received some proposals from the State Governments for modernization of the irrigation projects in their respective States;

(b) if so, the State-wise details of the proposals received by Government during the last three years;

(c) whether any step has been taken to accord early clearance to these proposals; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The State-wise details of the proposals received during the last three years are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Out of 11 proposals received, 6 projects (5 major and 1 medium) have been techno-economically accepted by the Advisory Committee of Ministry of Water Resources subject to compliance of certain observations. The appraisal/clearance of the projects depends upon the promptness with which the State authorities arrange the compliance to the observations of the Central appraising agencies.

Statement

Modernisation of Irrigation Projects

(As on 31-3-2003)

Sl. No.	Name of Project	State	Major	Date of receipt	Estimated cost (Rs. in crore)	Category
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Mahanadi Reservoir Project	Chhattisgarh	Major	07/2001	566.88	B
2.	Mod. of Ahiji Canal	J&K	Medium	04/2000	7.96	A
3.	Mod. of Lar Canal (Budgam)	J&K	Medium	04/2000	6.63	A
4.	Drainage Development (Ph-I) in Mahanadi Delta Stage-I & II	Orissa	Major	02/2000	227.75	A
5.	Raising Lining of Bhakra Main Canal	Punjab	Major	03/2002	26.69	A
6.	Raising of Lining/Bank of Srihind Feeder	Punjab	Medium	05/2001	13.75	A
7.	Punjab Irrigation Project (Lining of Channels) under RIDF Fund	Punjab	Medium	02/2000	49.02	B
8.	Rajasthan Water Sector Restructuring Project	Rajasthan	Major	01/2001	745.59	B
9.	Improving Water Management in existing Sarda Canal System	Uttar Pradesh	Major	07/2001	102.41	B
10.	Modernization of Lachura Dam	Uttar Pradesh	Major	04/2002	94.18	B
11.	Uttar Pradesh Water Sector Restructuring Project	Uttar Pradesh	Major	04/2001	663.41 (Provisional)	D

Category :
A. Under Correspondence.
B. Put up to Advisory Committee & Accepted subject to observations.
D. Pending with Planning Commission for Investment clearance.

Salinity Incursion in Coastal Areas of Orissa

4166. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the severe salinity incursion in coastal areas due to high extraction of ground water;

(b) if so, whether Government have prepared any action plan for ground water management in the large townships along the coastal areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to set up a network of observational wells in coastal areas in order to monitor the ground water table and its quality and to prepare a ground water development programme in the coastal regions especially in Orissa?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) Studies undertaken by the Central Ground Water Board (CGWB) have shown salinity incursion in Minjaur area in Tamil Nadu and parts of Pondicherry due to high extraction of ground water. Some parts of coastal areas of West Bengal, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Union Territory of Diu have also been found affected by ingress of seawater in low-lying areas and rivers.

(b) and (c) Ministry of Water Resources has not prepared any action plan for ground water management in large townships along the coastal areas.

(d) The CGWB has set up a network of observation wells in coastal areas, through which monitoring of ground water tables and quality is done four times in a year. The CGWB has also undertaken a project for salinity ingress and ground water recharge in Bhadrak, Kendrapara and Puri districts of Orissa. 39 shallow piezometers have been installed in creek areas of Orissa to monitor the ground water regime.

Private participation in Irrigation Projects

†4167. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether many irrigation projects are lagging behind their original time schedule;

+ Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.